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IN THE WATED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: TAKAGI et al

Application No. 09/535,453

Examiner: FOX, J.

Filed: March 24, 2000

Group Art Unit: 3753

For: SWITCH VALVE FOR HOT GAS CIRCUIT OF REFRIGERANT CIRCUIT

## **AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A switch valve comprising:

a single valve housing;

a first passage formed in the valve housing to permit a fluid to flow into the valve housing;

a second passage formed in the valve housing to permit, at selected times, the fluid in the first passage to exit the valve housing;

a third passage formed in the valve housing to permit, at selected times, the fluid in the first passage to exit the valve housing;